STATE OF IOWA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:

VP TELECOM, INC.

DOCKET NOS. TCU-02-9
TF-02-520

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF AND ISSUING CERTIFICATE

(Issued December 17, 2002)

On October 18, 2002, VP Telecom, Inc. (VP Telecom), filed a proposed tariff with the Utilities Board (Board) providing the terms, conditions, and rates for local exchange service in listed exchanges as described in the local exchange maps of Qwest Corporation (Qwest). Revisions to the tariff were filed on December 4, 2002. The proposed tariff and revisions have been identified as Docket No. TF-02-520.

On October 7, 2002, the Board issued an order in Docket No. TCU-02-9 approving VP Telecom's application to provide service in the listed exchanges and approving the concurrence in the Qwest exchange maps. The order stated that a certificate would be issued when VP Telecom obtained an approved tariff setting forth the prices, terms, and conditions of local exchange service in Iowa. VP Telecom requests the Board approve the proposed tariff and grant it a certificate to provide service in the listed exchanges.

The Board has reviewed the proposed tariff and finds it substantially complies with Board rules for the filing and processing of tariff pages. The tariff contains rates

for both business and residential customers. Notice was provided to all affected carriers. The Board will approve the tariff effective the date of this order and issue VP Telecom a certificate of public convenience and necessity concurrent with this order.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. The tariff filed by VP Telecom, Inc., on October 18, 2002, and its revisions filed December 4, 2002, identified as TF-02-520, are approved effective the date of this order.
- 2. A certificate, identified as Certificate No. 0259, is being issued to VP Telecom, Inc., concurrently with this order.

UTILITIES BOARD

	/s/ Diane Munns
ATTEST:	/s/ Mark O. Lambert
/s/ Judi K. Cooper Executive Secretary	/s/ Elliott Smith

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 17th day of December, 2002.